LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 542** HLS 22RS

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Opp. Chamb. Action: Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For .:

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Subject: Regulate Internet by the Public Service Commission

COMMERCE OR NO IMPACT See Note Provides relative to internet regulation by the Public Service Commission

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<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the Public Service Commission (PSC) to have and exercise all necessary power and authority to supervise, govern, regulate, and control all privately owned and operated internet service providers not under the supervision and control of any city, town or parish as provided by in present law, and to fix reasonable and just charges for the services furnished by such internet service providers. <u>Proposed law</u> authorizes PSC the power to adopt and enforce such reasonable rules, regulations, and modes of procedure as it may deem proper for the discharge of its duties in connection with such companies and works. <u>Proposed law</u> authorizes PSC the ability to summon and compel the attendance of witnesses, swear witnesses, compel the production of books and papers, take testimony under commission, and punish for contempt as fully as provided by law for the district courts. Proposed law provides for definitions.

EXPENDITURES	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
REVENUES	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

<u>Proposed law</u> will not have a fiscal impact on expenditures for the PSC. To the extent the PSC experiences a workload increase, it will absorb it utilizing existing resources. <u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the PSC to have and exercise all necessary power and authority to supervise, govern, regulate, and control all privately owned and operated internet service providers not under the supervision and control of any city, town or parish as provided by in <u>present law</u>, and to fix reasonable and just charges for the services furnished by such internet service providers.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

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Se	<u>nate</u>	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u>
	13.5.1 >=	\$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
	13.5.2 >=	\$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee

Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >=	\$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase
	or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

 $6.8(F)(1) >= $100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}$

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